

Cost escalation has occurred mainly because of paucity of funds. In the case of Mankhurd-Belapur project, delay also occurred because of problems in getting land cleared from encroachments, and this matter was constantly taken up with the State Government.

National Scholarships

*588. SHRI ANAND RATNA MAURYA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to revise the rates of National Scholarships in consonance with the rise in price index from time to time;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of times the rates of various scholarships have been revised so far?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) to (c). The rate of scholarship under the National Scholarships Scheme have been revised three times during 1974, 1981 and 1988. There is no proposal at present to further revise the rate of National Scholarships.

[Translation]

Maternal and Child Health Centres

*589. SHRI SURESHANAND SWAMI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Maternal and Child Health Centres at present, State-wise;

(b) the total number of such Centres propose to be opened during the financial year 1992-93, State-wise;

(c) whether foreign assistance is available to these Centres; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI M. L. FOTEDAR): (a) to (d). There are no Maternal and Child Health Care centres. However, there are Sub-centres which provide Maternal and Child Health Services to the rural population. The State-wise position of number of Sub-centres functioning in the country is given in the attached statement.

No, new Sub-Centres are proposed to be sanctioned in 1992-93.

Foreign assistance is available for construction of sub-centres under Area Projects being implemented in 15 States to strengthen the infrastructure for delivery of family welfare services.

STATEMENT

No. of Sub-centres functioning

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>State/UT</i>	<i>Total No. Functioning 31.12.91</i>
1.	Andhra Pradesh	7894
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	173

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3.	Assam	5110
4.	Bihar	14799
5.	Goa	145
6.	Gujarat	7134
7.	Haryana	2299
8.	Himachal Pradesh	1502
9	Jammu & Kashmir	1460
10	Karnataka	7793
11	Kerala	5094
12.	Madhya Pradesh	11910
13.	Maharashtra	9364
14.	Manipur	420
15.	Meghalaya	342
16.	Mizoram	220
17.	Nagaland	201
18.	Orissa	5426
19.	Punjab	2853
20.	Rajasthan	8096
21.	Sikkim	142
22.	Tamil Nadu	8681
23.	Tripura	496
24.	Uttar Pradesh	21653 UG

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25.	West Bengal	7873
26.	A&N Islands	97
27.	Chandigarh	12
28.	D&N Haveli	34
29.	Daman & Diu	30
30.	Delhi	42
31.	Lakshadweep	14
32.	Pondicherry	76
Total		131385

UC= Under clarification.

[English]

Recycling of Waste

*590. SHRI KADAMBUR M. R. JANARTHANAN: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the news item captioned "Recycling waste in China" appearing in the Financial Express dated March 16, 1992;

(b) if so, whether the Government propose to prepare any plan on its analogy; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS

AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RANGARAJAN KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). Many types of wastes generated in rural and urban areas of India are recycled in a decentralised manner. However, there is no plan of action under consideration for recycling of waste on the analogy of the Chinese model.

{ Translation }

Disposable Syringes

*591. SHRI CHINMAYANAND SWAMI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to undertake the manufacture of disposable syringes in public sector;